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- (1) Information Disclosure Statement (3 pp. in duplicate);
- (2) Form PTO-1449 (1 p. in duplicate);
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97, applicants wish to call the attention of the Examiner to the following documents:

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U.S. Patent Documents

Lambert	D304,459	11/07/1989
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Copies of the aforementioned documents, which are listed on the accompanying Form PTO-1449 (submitted in duplicate), are enclosed herewith.

It is respectfully requested that the Examiner: (1) fully consider the enclosed documents during the examination of this application; (2) initial the enclosed copy of the Form PTO-1449 in the appropriate places to indicate that the documents have been considered; and (3) return a copy of the initialed form to the undersigned in accordance with MPEP §§ 609 and 2001.06(b).

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed more than three months from the application filing date but before the mailing date of the first Office Action on the merits. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R.§ 1.97, submission of this Statement requires no fee. However, if for any reason a fee is due, the Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge payment of any fees required in connection with this Information Disclosure Statement to Deposit Account No. 06-1075. A duplicate copy of this Information Disclosure Statement is transmitted herewith.

An early and favorable action is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted

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